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City invests in 50 new creative works by Edmonton artists

Edmonton... Fifty Edmontonians are receiving Project Grants for Individual Artists through the City of Edmonton's Community Investment Program this week. The investments will help the artists move ahead with their creative projects, whether by investing in the material costs required to research, create, complete or present a new work, attend a class, or other assistance needed in order to develop their craft.

"*The Story of Film on Handmade Film* is a long, labour-intensive project involving many hours in the darkroom creating emulsions and film stock," said local filmmaker Lindsay McIntyre. "Receiving this support from the Edmonton Arts Council is a great boost to the creation of this film – I'll be able to hire local technicians to help me develop and realize the project, buy raw stock and chemicals for the darkroom, and make sure the project will be everything that it can be. In the end I hope to make a valuable contribution to the art form."

The 50 projects represent music, the visual arts, literature, theatre, media arts, dance, multi-disciplinary and collaborative works. Grants recipients range from emerging and mid-career artists to more established and nationally recognized artists.

"The Art of Living, our 10-year plan for securing the future of arts and heritage in Edmonton, mandated for sustained support for individual artists in Edmonton," said Paul Moulton, Executive Director of the Edmonton Arts Council. "Their projects represent the research and development activity of the creative sector, feeding the arts ecosystem locally and for export."

Project Grants for Individual Artists are intended to support the activities of individual, professional, Edmonton artists for a specific time towards a specific project. Projects can be individual or collective and could include creation, development, curation, exhibition or production of work in any art form as well as professional development.

For more information on the Project Grants for Individual Artists or the Edmonton Arts Council, please visit edmontonarts.ca

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The Edmonton Arts Council is a not-for-profit organization that supports and promotes the arts community in Edmonton. The Edmonton Arts Council works to increase the profile and involvement of arts and culture in all aspects of our community life.

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